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21 July 1959

1. I talked with Dick Bissell and later he, Ed Saunders and I met with Bob Macy and Frank Ecker, Bureau of the Budget, to discuss the funding of Dick's special project. (See Memorandum For The Record dated 24 July 1959.)

2. Ed Saunders and I also met with Bob Macy and Frank Ecker to discuss the approach to the Fiscal Year 1961 Budget. ~~The general reduction they will wish us to handle; however,~~ they will want to look specifically in the very near future into some of the larger projects and activities such as [REDACTED] training---particularly at [REDACTED] and the necessity for converting to permanent construction---the IO Division---particularly the PP Program ---the NIS Program, the Photographic Intelligence Center, the Automation Program and the ELINT Program.

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3. I spoke to Ed Saunders about the Report of Audit of Accounts Payable---Property for the period 1 February 1957 - 31 January 1959. Ed had not seen this Report and I told him that, on a hasty examination, it looked most unfavorable and I would like to have him look into the matter personally and discuss it with me at an early date. I also discussed with him the Audit Report on Project [REDACTED] He convinced me that we had nothing to worry about in this Project.

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4. I talked to Mr. Samuelson of the General Accounting Office and arranged to meet with him tomorrow to discuss the possibility of expanding the GAO audit activity in CIA. H

5. I spoke to General Cabell about getting the Air Force Band for our Cornerstone Ceremony and he said that he would be glad to make the request as soon as the date was known. I also spoke to him and [REDACTED] about having John coordinate our program format, etc., and it was agreed that John would handle this. H

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6. I asked Walter Pforzheimer if he would be good enough to coordinate the contents of the box which will go behind the cornerstone and he said that he would be very happy to do this. H

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7. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] called to say that he had received a telephone call from Commander Herrick requesting an immediate meeting to follow up on my meeting with Admiral McManes [REDACTED]. I told him that I saw no necessity for a meeting at this time inasmuch as we do not have anything to talk about until our study is completed. He agreed to pass this on and to let me know if it was not satisfactory. (I assumed that it was since I have heard nothing further.) H

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8. [REDACTED] telephoned to say that a house [REDACTED] would cost more than \$1 thousand a month unfurnished and thought that we could buy a house for \$55 or

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9. Bob Macy, Bureau of the Budget, showed me a long paper which had been forwarded to him by the Department of State, the gist of which would make State responsible for handling exiles and refugees. I told him that I could not speak for the Agency without checking with the Director but thought that we would favor such a proposal. However, we would need to distinguish between those people in whom we had an operational interest and just plain refugees and exiles. I also expressed some pessimism, however, that if this were agreed to in the Executive Branch the Department of State would be able, in fact, to get the money to finance such an undertaking---about a million dollars a year.

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